## Message

From: epa@lists.4cleanair.org [epa@lists.4cleanair.org]

on behalf of Miles Keogh [mkeogh@4cleanair.org]

**Sent**: 1/24/2020 6:54:44 PM

To: washington\_update@lists.4cleanair.org; epa@lists.4cleanair.org; mjo@lists.4cleanair.org;

members@lists.4cleanair.org

**Subject**: The Washington Update



## Clean Air Agency Colleagues,

I like pigs: they're loyal, gentle, and unpretentious, so it is with a heavy heart that I bid adieu to the Year of the Pig in the Chinese Zodiac. Tomorrow is the lunar new year, and marks the start of the Year of the Rat. The Chinese zodiac has a twelve year cycle, each with its own animal, and rat comes first on the list. The folk story goes that an ancient Emperor called 13 animals to his palace and declared that the years on the calendar would be named according to the order they arrived in. A great race ensued: the unassuming pig stopped for a snack and a nap; the industrious ox looked to be in the lead but the rat secretly hitched a ride on his back, leaping at the finish line to nab first place. I was distressed to learn that in this story the 13<sup>th</sup> animal, a cat, drowned during the intense competition. You can see why sensible animals like the platypus, okapi, cuttlefish and sloth decided to sit this one out. Anyway, people born in the year of the rat are supposedly smart, quick witted, adaptable, and have the uncanny ability to find an uber, hail a cab, or hitch a ride with a passing ox, no matter where they are or the hour of the day. As they say in China, "xīn nián kuài lè!" Happy New Year, y'all!

Friends, we have a new phone number and address – it's noted at the bottom of this email and in this week's *Washington Update*, which includes:

- NACAA Meets with OMB About Forthcoming Final SAFE Vehicles Rule Part 2
- Bipartisan House Group Urges Abandonment Of NEPA Reform Proposal
- Senator Carper Registers Concerns with OMB About Draft Final SAFE Vehicles Rule Part 2
- Appeals Court Won't Revisit Decision Upholding "Once in, Always in" Rescission
- Researchers Find Montreal Protocol Responsible for Limiting Climate Damage
- CASAC to Hold Public Teleconference to Take Comments on and Discuss Disposition of Reports on Ozone Assessment Documents
- EPA Publishes ANPRM Seeking Comments on Various Aspects of Forthcoming Proposed Cleaner Trucks Initiative Rule, Sets February 20 Comment Deadline
- Parties File Reply Briefs on Motions to Expedite and to Hold in Abeyance SAFE Rule Part One Litigation
- Bernard McNamee to Leave FERC
- ECOS Launches Research Website, Invites Submissions

Next week we meet up with out Board of Directors in magical Memphis, Tennessee for our winter board meeting (and maybe a quick stop at Graceland). Tuesday's scheduled monthly NACAA Mobile Sources & Fuels Committee has been cancelled. You can get details on events coming soon, on Air Web.

Follow this link for NACAA's Washington Update:

http://www.4cleanair.org/sites/default/files/Documents/012420wklyupdate.pdf

I hope you have a fun weekend, and if you celebrate it, a wonderful and prosperous New Year!

Wishing you well, Miles

Miles Keogh
Executive Director
National Association of Clean Air Agencies
1530 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 320
Arlington, VA 22209
(571) 970-6678

mkeogh@4cleanair.org www.4cleanair.org @WeAre4CleanAir